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## CHRISTMAS

### PRESENTS:

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## XMAS PRESENTS

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Nothing appeals better to your lady friend than a NICE BOX OF CHOCOLATES.

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Don't forget that we are serving

LUNCHES, HOT COFFEE and HOT DRINKS of all kinds

## Brown, Anderson and Boyd Are New Council

The excitement of the local municipal election is now over. Messrs. G. L. Brown, J. N. Anderson and M. G. Boyd are the successful candidates. Defeated candidates are J. I. Stoudt, I. McLean and A. Hay. Much interest was evinced in the election and a feeling of satisfaction is apparently manifest that the new Councilmen are the choice of the ratepayers. Of the retiring council, J. I. Stoudt was the only member standing for re-election.

After the declaration of the poll, Messrs. Brown and Anderson tendered their thanks to their supporters for the confidence they had placed in them, and asked them to celebrate the occasion by a drink or smokes which could be obtained at their expense at various of the business places in town. Below are the results of the voting—

G. L. Brown	80 votes
J. N. Anderson	58 "
M. G. Boyd	43 "
J. I. Stoudt	34 "
I. McLean	31 "
A. Hay	17 "

## MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF ACADIA

### TAKE NOTICE

Distress proceedings will be taken against delinquent tax payers on and after January 1st. Penalty attached December 10.

Nomination and Ratepayers Meeting will be held in the Acadia Valley Hall, on February 20th.

Election of Councillors in Divisions 2, 3 and 6, will take place on February 27th.

On the same date a vote will be taken in all Divisions, to decide whether or not the Municipality will come under the operation of the Hall Insurance Act.

Entrants for unpatented lands, requiring assistance to purchase seed grain, must make application to the undersigned on or before January 31st.

D. M. GRAHAM,  
Sec'y-Treasurer

## Mass Meeting

A representative number of citizens gathered in the hotel parlor on Friday last, to listen to the candidates for Council. Mr. Boyd expounded their views concerning civic government. D. McEachern was elected chairman of the meeting.

J. I. Stoudt was the first speaker. He reviewed some of the work he had been connected with as councillor. Referring to the temporary hospital he was of the opinion that it was a project that must meet with commendation. The grade on 3rd street was undertaken with a view to carrying off surplus waters from rain or snow which might otherwise flood the cellars in the northeast portion of the town. Mr. Stoudt also referred to the cemetery and street lights. Regarding a platform he said if elected his policy would be to keep expenses within the means of the town and "not allow" them to pile up. He closed his talk with a few words in commendation of the work of the Sec-Treas.

I. McLean was the next nominee to speak. He advocated building a water-trough for the convenience of farmers; repairing sandy road south-west of town; and would also see to street grading and sidewalk repairing as the income of the town would allow.

G. J. Brown spoke on the necessity of repairing the roads leading into town; water trough; keeping town clear of weeds; of having councilmen as chairmen of sundry depts.

He referred to the purchase of the park land on the north side of the Red Deer, which was bought at \$3 per acre and today he stated, could be disposed of at \$12 per acre, cash; this land if sold, the profit realised, would of itself be sufficient to disburse the present indebtedness of the town. He also stated all minutes of council meetings would be published; and all contracts let by tender. Economy he said should be the watchword of the Council.

D. McEachern then spoke a few words asking for the expression of a more co-operation among the citizens. He advised those who had dissatisfactions against the council to attend the Council Meetings and the Board of Trade meetings and give voice to their complaints there, this would do away with much friction which had been existent.

A vote of thanks was passed at the conclusion of the meeting to the chairman, Mr. D. McEachern.

## United Church

By Rev. G. G. Pybus

Church services at the usual time. Sunday, December 15th. Sunday school, 2:30 p.m. Public worship, 7:30 p.m. At the Sunday school service further plans will be made for the Christmas entertainment. You are cordially welcome to those services.

## DEATH OF MASONVILLE FARMER

Sad news of the death of Jacob Durey, came as a shock to his many friends of the Masonville district. Death took place in the hospital at Cheltenham, Ontario. Deceased was one of the oldest residents of the Masonville district, and was a successful farmer and possessed several head of stock. All relatives of the deceased are resident in England. He complained a few weeks ago of feeling ill and left for Alaska, with the intention of going to Skagway and entering the hospital there. That he went East is a surprise to his many friends and neighbors, all of whom feel his death very keenly.

The snow company which was to have appeared at the Grand Theatre this Friday, will not appear here until January 6th. To avoid disappointment to the public, Mr. R. S. Tyler will show the delightful Paramount picture, "Little Miss Optimist."

Copy for changes of advt. brought into this office after noon on Mondays of each week will POSITIVELY not be taken notice of until the following week, unless other arrangements happen to be made with the publishers.

## French Ivory

Mr. B. L. Dawdy, our local jeweler, has just received a large consignment of goods for the Christmas trade, in which are included many special lines. We must especially remark on his collection of the new and popular French Ivory Toiletware, which is not only handsome, but modern and complete in every detail.

Mr. Dawdy, in speaking of the advantages of this new Toiletware, pointed out to us some of the reasons why French Ivory has so thoroughly transcended Ebony and Silver. Its appearance is essentially attractive; it is easily cleaned and absolutely sanitary, and it will not break or become damaged if at any time accidentally dropped. The prices are also reasonable and are easily within the reach of all. Owing to the great popularity of this new order very early in the year so that delivery would be assured and his many prospective customers would not be disappointed.

## M. G. Boyd Receives News Death of His Father

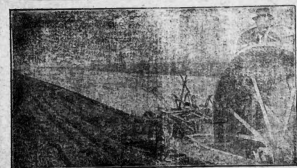
Mr. M. G. Boyd, received on Monday, the news of the sudden demise of his father, Robert J. Boyd, of Owen Sound, Ont. Deceased was sixty-seven years of age, and had been Reeve of the Rural Municipality in which he was resident for the last fifteen years. The news of his death came as a sudden shock to his son and family, here, as no previous intimation of illness had been received by them. With the rest of the community, we hasten to tender our sympathy to our bereaved townsman and his family.

## Little Miss Optimist

You may never have read any of "Vivian Martin's Cooking Chatter" when it was published in the newspapers, but she admits that she is "some cook," because in "Little Miss Optimist" she fries an egg on the wrong side. If you don't believe it can be done, we will show you on Friday and Saturday at the Grand Theatre.

R. S. Tyler announces that the Grand Theatre will be open every night weekly in the New Year. If you wish to see a live town, help a progressive movement by your patronage.

## Experience that Glorious Feeling



## Right On The Job in the Spring

Have Your

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WE HAVE A SPECIAL PROPOSITION TO OFFER YOU

Correspondence invited

We do Acetylene Welding and Lathe Work

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EMPRESS :: ALBERTA

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This also gives an added interest to the dainty Novelties which Mr. Dawdy has had the foresight to include with his Ivory line. These include Jewel Boxes, Puff and Hair Jars, artistic Boudoir Clocks, Perfume Bottles, and a splendid assortment of trays, from the smallest pin size to the large handsome box for holding brush and comb. For those who do not wish to purchase the complete set, Mr. Dawdy is also showing a good selection of separate toilet pieces, Mirrors, Brushes, etc., and no doubt many a set will be commended this Christmas which may be added to as occasion arises. Those who take pleasure in a

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(Established 1887)

Toronto, Ont.

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## Gifts for Xmas

Ladies' and Gent's Silk Neck Scarfs, Hand-embroidered linen initial handkerchiefs.

Linen table cloths and napkins. Bedspreads

Ladies Silk Hand Bags, Camisoles,

New style fancy blouses

Dresses, Skirts and Coats

All kinds of fancy goods. Inspection invited.

Misses Peers & Bond

## Bindloss Cafe

New Management

CLEAN ROOMS.

GOOD MEALS

Popular Prices

I have again undertaken personal management of the Cafe, C. Y. George.







Just 13 days to Christmas.

Mrs. Alex Hay and children are spending the week with Mrs. J. C. Hughes, north of town. Z. W. Dixon, of Hartford Fire Insurance Co., Winnipeg, was in town, Wednesday.

See us, before renewing for magazines, etc. with outside agents. Keep your money at home.

The ladies of the congregation will hold a Bazaar on Saturday afternoon, December 14, in the Engelbrecht building. Needlework and home-cooking will be on sale. Each lady is donating at least one article. If you are worried about your Christmas presents call at the Bazaar.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 12, 1918

Manchester England has taken a full step ahead in getting ready to do its duty by the coming generation. It held a conference on the Endowment of Motherhood and has gone much deeper than the sentimental stage which contents itself with preparing high-sounding resolutions and securing voluminous minutes. This Conference recognized important basic principles such as the fact that the home life is worth infinitely more than that of the best institution, provided that the parent has control. Steps to secure and even compel this control and means of insuring stability to home life were discussed at the Conference. The fact was recognized that these two important, or rather, necessary factors to social decency were dependent directly on the vexing questions of wages and housing. Just how far the State should control and just how far it should not go, were also discussed. Good citizenship comes high and depends first of all and always on the sort of mothers the State demands and aids.

Ten thousand American soldiers have married French girls already since the war began, and more are expected to follow, according to the Rev. Dr. Charles Stedman McFarland, who has returned from the war zone. He made the statement before 200 members of New York Advertising Club. The Americans were only a little over a year and a half at war—wonder how many Canuck boys have been captured by the French girls in their four years of temptation?

## You Benefit

A live merchant advertises. Advertising causes competition. Competition regulates prices. Benefit to yourself accrues when you buy from the store that advertises.

The town of Gleichen and district are erecting a monument which is to bear the names of all men who enlisted there to take part in the great war. The monument is to be erected in front of the Gleichen town hall. While the present time may not be propitious for the erection of a monument

of this nature here, we believe that the names of all the boys who enlisted from here should be gathered in, so that like honour may be done them here at some future time.

M. J. Enders, who has been farming at Cavendish this summer, is now residing in town.

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BARRISTER, SOLICITOR  
NOTARY PUBLIC, Etc.  
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We will both be better off if you do business with me.

## STORM SASH

Make Your House Comfortable during cold weather

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They pay for themselves by saving your coal

GOOD STOCK ON HAND

Revelstoke Sawmill Co.

I. McLean, Local Manager

## THIS MAN

is congratulating his wife on the wisdom she displays in buying her pies, cakes, bread and biscuits from us, rather than stand over hot ovens for several hours a day. And he is pleased at the favor of the things she buys.

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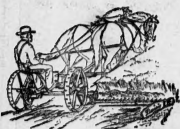
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## CHOICE CHRISTMAS GROCERIES

Choice Mixed Nuts  
Choice Spices  
Choice Cranberries  
Choice Jelly Powders  
Choice bleached Sultana Raisins  
Choice Seeded Raisins  
Choice Seedless Raisins  
Choice Dates  
Choice Shelled Walnuts  
Choice Shelled Almonds  
Choice Mixed Peel, Citron, and Orange



This Stock is guaranteed to be choice and perfect in every way

See our selection of Men's Dry Goods

They offer many suggestions for the Useful Christmas Present

Buy Your WINTER APPLES and VEGETABLES now before the weather gets too cold

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## The Empress Express

## Quality Printing

We are prepared to execute orders for artistic printing which will command attention by its striking and original advertising features. Our greatest efforts are always made to maintain the printer's highest and best standards of excellence.

"Quality" is our motto.



Express rates will advance in the west about 25 per cent very shortly. It will mostly affect shipments over 30 lbs. in weight but all smaller parcels will be taxed a nickel extra.

Entries on Dominion lands will not be cancelled between December 15 and April 1, 1919, except in special cases, says a recent circular from the department of interior, Ottawa.

### Europe Asks For Meat

Secretary of the Chicago Stock Show Calls for New Policy

"I see a real danger," said B. M. Heide, Secretary of the International Live Stock Show. "Farmers throughout the country have been working to raise grains. They have neglected their cattle. Now they pay the penalty."

"Europe is asking for meat and will continue to do so for a considerable time. South American cattle raisers have lost stock through foot and mouth diseases and drought. A big demand for beef products is approaching—how will it be satisfied?"

"The only remedy is for farmers at once to turn their energies to raising more cattle. There is ample grain to feed them, and transportation facilities will probably be adequate for all immediate needs."

**FRANCE WANTS TO BUY**  
France at the end of the war finds herself with 2,300,000 less cattle, 2,250,000 less sheep, and 2,815,000 less pigs than in 1914. She will be glad to buy pork and hog products in Canada as soon as financial arrangements as to credit in Canada can be arranged. Canadian breeding cattle also are wanted. Canada is the only country upon whose cattle France does not maintain an embargo.

### DENMARK'S BACON TRADE

Before the war Denmark used to send Great Britain 2,300,000 hundred weight of bacon per year. Today Denmark is herself short of 1,873,000 pigs. And her great hungry neighbor, Germany, is short 10,500,000 pigs. Britain will have to look elsewhere for the bacon Denmark used to supply, and here is where Canada will find a permanent trade opportunity with the mother country of no mean proportions.

### NOT KEPT PACE

The live stock industry of this continent has not kept pace with the increase in population.

### FINISH YOUR STOCK

Uncertainty as to the market when the armistice was declared led many a stock man to throw his stock on the market unfinished in the effort to turn his animals into money before the prices went down. It was a poor policy as events have shown. There has been no decline in the price except when quality and finish were inferior. The export demand remains steady.

### To Hold Twilight Dance

The local Board of Trade are arranging to hold a Peace Celebration, social and twilight dance on New Year's afternoon and evening. Arrangements are being made for securing first class music. A New Year's supper will be served in the hall at 6 p.m. The occasion will be a community one, and every man, woman and child in the surrounding district are cordially invited. The proceeds are to be used for advertising the town and district by the Board of Trade. The holiday and peace spirit will prevail, and every one attending is assured of a genuine good time. Fasten the date in your hat.

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A policy in the Canada Life adapts itself to every period in a woman's life:



An Endowment is something to be proud of.



When she is married, the family budget provides her premium deposits.



The policy gives protection in the meantime.



A Woman cannot afford to lose her savings. An Endowment is absolutely safe and sure.

### It Helps Her to Save Money

The premiums falling due regularly are an incentive to save money which would otherwise be spent. The premiums are paid just as bills are paid, but the money is saved, not spent.

### It Establishes Her Independence

A policy for \$2,000, \$5,000 or more, is a definite possession which remains hers, whether she marries or not. She may have it made payable to herself if she live, to her dependents if she die.

### It Protects Her Old Age

Many a woman of fifty-five or sixty wishes she had some money of her own—a small monthly income or a few thousand dollars in cash which would avoid that feeling of dependence upon others.

## Why Not an Endowment?

The full amount of an Endowment policy will be paid at maturity. This is a certainty. Other investments might depreciate in value or fail altogether.

### It Will be Welcome

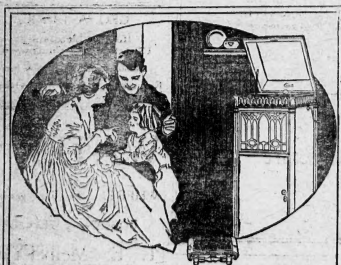
Whatever your circumstances may be later on in life, whether married or single, you will find a policy in the Canada Life something to depend on, an asset that is reliable and which belongs exclusively to you. You may need the money when it comes due.

Ask for Information.

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Let them receive the indelible imprint of culture and refinement through the medium of good music.

While the young minds are open to receive such impressions, begin their musical, and higher, education with

## The NEW EDISON

"The Phonograph with a Soul"

This wonderful instrument brings the world of music into your home & recreates it by the world's greatest artists. No matter where you live, your children can have the same musical advantages as though living in the great cities during the height of the musical season.

The New Edison does not merely imitate. It re-creates. No human ear can distinguish a note from a phonograph. The famous Edison tone tests have proven this, not once, but more than 1,500 times.

Start the Children's musical education to-day, by bringing them here, and letting us play a program of charming music that will be as enjoyable for you as it will be delightful for the little ones.

Blake L. Dawdy, - Empress, Alta.

## FORMER KAISER NOW GUARDED IN HIS SPEECH

Amersfoort, Holland. — "I am a private citizen and while in Holland will not make any statement whatever for publication." This was the former German emperor's message to the Associated Press correspondent when he called at the castle. The German general acting orderly, formerly governor of Metz, brought the message direct from William Hohenzollern, who was inclined to make a public declaration, but changed his mind. The message continued: "You must fully realize my position. I am threatened on all sides with criminal charges which, if brought, I must face. Therefore I must reserve any statement until charges are actually brought. Also, I owe a certain loyalty to the present German government and cannot make a declaration which might compromise others."

The correspondent requested the general to ask the former emperor whether he would confirm the crown prince's assertion regarding the Kruger telegram, and the general brought back the answer: "The crown prince is absolutely correct in his fact. The telegram, already written, was laid before me for signature. I refused to sign it for three days, but finally did so under pressure of the German diplomats and my political advisers, advising various reasons for signing the dispatch. Of course having signed it, I take full responsibility."

The former emperor and empress are leading a very quiet life. Their table is the simplest. Occasionally they walk in the surrounding woods but recent days have been so wet that it has been almost impossible for them to go out, except for a carriage drive.

## Denmark Will Not Feed Germany

Copenhagen Foreign Office Denies Statement in Tidende

Washington. — Denmark has made no arrangements to furnish large monthly shipments of food to Germany as reported recently by the Berlin correspondent of the *Tidende*. The Danish government, according to an official despatch to the Danish legation from the foreign office at Copenhagen, the *Tidende* report is a result of negotiations between Denmark and Germany the latter would receive each month 75,000 tons of wheat, 100,000 tons of meat and 200,000 tons of wheat.

This Copenhagen foreign office cable was due to a misunderstanding.

The Berlin correspondent of the *Berlinische Tidende* just recently informed this office, the despatch said, that the German food administration had just concluded an agreement with the German government in Germany, and as a result had stated that to feed the German people through the winter it would be necessary for Germany to import the above mentioned quantities of food from outside. But nothing was said of Denmark furnishing Germany with these immense quantities of food.

## Destination Unknown

Bolsheviks Alleged About Movements of Allied Fleet

Stockholm. — The movements of the entire fleet entering the Baltic sea are the subject of much speculation in Scandinavia. The fleet has managed to circulate a bewildering variety of conflicting rumors as to its destination. Appearance point to the occupation of Revel, as the eastern Baltic sea, it is within easy reach of Helsinki, Riga, and Petrograd. It is unlikely, at any rate, that the main fleet will go to Petrograd or even Kronstadt, as within a few days the fogs of thick ice will shut off these points from navigable water.

Revel, on the other hand, can be kept ice-free by means of energetic ice breakers. It is still possible for ships to go to Petrograd and the last Swedish boat is expected to arrive for Stockholm. There is considerable drift ice already and navigation is difficult.

The Bolsheviks say, if they deem it necessary, even the approaches. In any event a landing will probably come in the form of a surprise attack to give the Estonians bad needed protection against the advancing Red Guards.

If a man's mind is ever filled with burning thoughts it's when he pays the gas bill.

W. N. U. 1241.

## Knew War Was Lost

Ex-Prince Claims He Tried to Stop Hostilities

Oosterland, Holland. — "I have not renounced anything and I have not signed any documents whatever," the former German crown prince declared to the correspondent, "and I was convinced early in October, 1914, that we had lost the war. I considered our position hopeless after the battle of the Marne which we should not have lost if the chiefs of our general staff had not suffered a case of nerves."

"I tried to persuade the general staff to sack me then, even at a great sacrifice, going so far as to give up Alsace-Lorraine. But I was told to mind my own business, and confine my activities to commanding my armies. I have proof of this."

## Huns Want Encouragement

Must Rear Democracy on Foundation Bequeathed by Old Regime

Berlin. — Hugo Preuss, state secretary in the new German cabinet, is discussing with the correspondent the progress of the revolution, said: "We are obliged to rear democracy on the foundation bequeathed by the old system, which is now gone forever, provided it is not restored through external forces. But the attitude of our enemies, at this new presents itself in some new aspects every day, permits the observation that they are treating matters, land and dairy products and sundry Canadian commodities. Until exchange conditions change, the exchange of systems will really bring us the blessings of democracy so ardently championed by President Wilson. We need encouragement to this end."

## Germans Destroyed Evidence

Paris. — The German foreign office destroyed by fire all damaging documents in the archives of the German general government at Brussels and destroyed documents in Berlin which might be useful in placing responsibility for the war on the German government.

Mr. Tait said President Wilson had also announced himself as favorable to the establishment of the league of nations but had refused lukewarm. However, it was hoped, he said, that when the president got on the other side he would change his attitude.

## NO BOLSHEVISM IN GERMANY

Authorities at Front: Exclude Undesirables

Berlin. — An American newspaper correspondent says: "Four years of war have made war a habit for many but not for Germany. The whole tenor of the people is concentrated upon finding something to eat. True, in the hostels there has been a great deal of food, but it is not enough—one is able to pay the price. The real hardship of the war is the falling upon the poor in the cities, where a crust of bread and some cabbage soup are insufficient to provide the strength with which to resist disease and maintain the morale. The last thought of Austria and Germany is to resume the war, war, though. The armies have been disbanded and all the material lost. The officers have lost the power over the men which made them resist so long. In Austria one travels freely. One thinks of showing or demanding passports. At the German frontier they are the subject of much speculation. They are making a sincere effort to exclude the Bolsheviks, who, if the truth be told, are more or less of a myth. These days, anyone who disagrees is a Bolshevik."

In travelling through Austria, I was told that there was Bolsheviks in the next town, but on arrival there I found that all was calm. In Prague, I heard of one Russian who had been caught and was said to be a Bolshevik. I was provided with plenty of money perhaps he was just a plain wanderer or thief who had escaped with his loot. Bolshevism is always just beyond.

On the Czechoslovak-German frontier, the control is quite strict in the effort to exclude undesirable characters. In my case, there was the usual examination of papers and passports, which came as a surprise after the freedom of movement I had experienced in Austria.

## Must Take Kaiser

Liverpool. — Sir Frederick Smith, money general, interviewed by the Echo said that the British war cabinet, including the colonial representatives, has unanimously decided to send Hindenburg to extradite the former German emperor.

## Germany is Able To Pay Damages

London. — In reviewing the question of whether Germany is able to pay damages and the war expenses incurred by the allies, the Daily Mail declares that the estimate of allied expenditures of \$25,000,000,000 are less than one-seventh of the main German assets in sight. The main railway systems in the German states are the property of the various governments, which, in addition, own forests, mines and large areas of land. The paper says that a moderate estimate of the value of German mineral deposits is \$190,000,000,000. In 1871 Germany made France pay not only the cost of the war but also a sum of \$85,000,000,000 and the surrender of Alsace-Lorraine. The Daily Mail says that the allies ask no such sum but require "reparation" only.

## Hundreds of Millions in Trade Obeyed Order With Despatch

Canada's Share in Big Business About \$200,000,000 for This Coming Year

Ottawa. — The British ministry of finance has arranged with the British government of Canada to supply the government of Canada with \$200,000,000 for this coming year. Of this amount about fifty million dollars will be required for completing the program of the imperial munitions board. In Canada fifty million dollars in addition to what has been already arranged will be required for the purchase of grain of this year's crop.

The remaining one hundred million dollars will cover purchases of foodstuffs, including meat, land and dairy products and sundry Canadian commodities. Until exchange conditions change, the exchange of systems will really bring us the blessings of democracy so ardently championed by President Wilson. We need encouragement to this end."

## FRENCH CITIZENS Lodge Complaints

Claims for Damages are Filed by Relatives of the Slain

Paris. — French citizens are lodged in conflict with Attorney General Lescroart regarding crimes committed by the German army under Wilhelm Hohenzollern, the former emperor. Several persons who lost relatives in the bombardment of Paris by the German long range guns have filed their complaints.

In the case of Madame Prieur whose husband was killed on the torpedoed mail steamer *Sussex, the French authorities are competent to make an order for the extradition of William Hohenzollern.*

A decision with regard to the complaints against the former emperor will be reported within a few days. It is decided that French tribunals are competent to open proceedings a judge will be appointed. One of the first acts of the judge will be to order the extradition of William Hohenzollern.

EXPECT INCREASED BUSINESS  
Winnipeg. — Twenty-six branches of banks have been opened within the last two weeks in Manitoba. Saskatchewan and Alberta, and many more will be established before the first of the year, bank managers announced.

Branches have been distributed among banks as follows: Royal, 12; Merchants, 10; Imperial, 3; Dominion, 1.

## Butter for British

Ottawa. — Over six and a half million pounds of butter will be available under the arrangement between the British ministry of food and the Dominion government whereby the butter made by the creameries in Canada between September 30 and November 9 was delivered to the British representatives.

## Scathing Denunciation Of the German Navy

London. — A scathing denunciation of the personnel of the German navy was made by Admiral Sir David Beatty, commander in chief of the British grand fleet, in a speech addressed to a gathering of representatives of the first battle cruiser squadron on board the battle cruiser *Queen Mary* prior to their departure as an escort to the surrendered ships of the German high seas fleet.

"We had expected them," said Admiral Beatty, "to have the courage that we looked for from those whose work lies upon the great waters, and I am sure that the sides of this gallant old ship which have been well hammered in the past, must have ached as I ached and anyone asked to give them another taste of what we had intended."

"Their humiliating end was the proper end for an enemy who has proved himself so lacking in bravery. At sea his strategy, his tactics and his behavior have been beneath contempt and worthy of a nation which was waged war in the manner in which the enemy has waged war."

"We know that the British sailor has a large heart and a short memory. He is hard on the heart and long on the memory, and remember that the enemy which you are looking after is a despicable beast, neither more nor less. He is not worthy the sacrifice of the life of one blackjack in the grand fleet, and that is the one bright spot in the fact that he did not come out."

## White Plague As Destructive As the War

Dr. Harding Makes Startling Statement About Tuberculosis

Montreal. — Almost as many of the people of Canada died of tuberculosis during the four years of war as there were Canadian soldiers killed in the war during the same period, while the number of civilians at home stricken with the great white plague during the four years nearly equals the number of Canadian soldiers reported sick or wounded in the casualty lists for the entire period of the war.

This startling statement was made by Dr. Harding, secretary of the Royal Edward Institute for Tuberculosis, in giving a brief summary of the institute's work in combating the disease.

## Establish Flying Schools

New German Society Prepares for Next War

London. — In Germany there is a society called "The Deutsche Fliegerbund." Just as the German navy league was largely influential in bringing about a powerful navy, so this new flying league, it is believed here, is expected to promote the German air force.

According to a Bremen paper, the league will undertake the preliminary work in the training of young men for the air service. Flying schools are to be established for the training of the "technical" instruction of boys from 15 to 18 years old.

## Now Admits Provisioning Warship

San Francisco. — Robert A. Capell, former agent of the North German Lloyd Shipping Company, who was sentenced to fifteen months imprisonment for his connection with a Hindu conspiracy to overturn British rule in India, pleaded guilty to indictments charging him with conspiracy in 1914, in connection with the alleged provision of German warships at sea by the German government.

Vienna. — Travellers from Lemberg state that Ukrainian troops are being reinforced by sufficient troops returning from the Italian front to make a fight against the Bolsheviks, but say that when the Austrian empire was broken up they got their hands on a right to the capital city of Lemberg, the Poles having other claims.

## HOPES PEACE TERMS WILL BE SATISFACTORY

Austria Wants to Save Empire from Ruin

Vienna. — Dr. Franz Klein, former minister of justice, who will represent Austria at the peace conference, said to the correspondent: "If we are permitted to attend the conference, I presume it will be merely to receive it's mandates, though we trust we will be heard. However, so far we have no money, and when we shall attend, of the conditions attached to our attendance."

"It is to be hoped that the conference will arrive at a solution satisfactory to all the new republics of the empire, so that the empire will be peacefully in the future. We feel that the Austrians surely will be fair. It would be advisable for the allies to send here groups of statesmen and business men to look into conditions before trying to settle matters. Outsiders might find a solution of the difficulty which we ourselves have been unable to find."

"You may say that the Austrians receive certainly want no more war, and have no ambition other than to live."

"The present separation of the people of the empire is the last stage in the dissolution of what never really was an empire but groups of people demanding freedom."

"It will be difficult for us to reform a new union in order to 'save ourselves from commercial ruin. It will be more difficult to live alone, each republic for itself. But if the allies do not find a solution seeds of new wars will soon, say by Italy taking the German Turkey or by the Czechs taking the richest part of the empire, namely, the German-Slovak territories in which are Lickabrad, Bruck and other centres."

Dr. Klein said free trade among the new republics of the empire was the first essential to peace and prosperity.

"There are but two eventualities for us," he added, "either to join the North German states or else have the territory desired by the Czechs," with the possibility of forming later a commercial federation with the other republics of the empire."

Dr. Klein is considered one of the greatest jurists of the old empire. He is the compiler of the civil codes.

## HINDENBURG IS STILL BOASTFUL OF HUN POWERS

Amsterdam. — The Berliner Tage Zeitung says that Field Marshal von Hindenburg addressed the following words to his troops:

"The preliminary work for a land settlement on a big scale is in progress and will be pushed forward as rapidly as the shortage of coal and building material will permit. The returning warriors will first receive the thanks of the country for more than four years of war in a thousand battles, in which they were unbeaten."

"Hundreds of thousands of buildings will be built on cheaply acquired land with public money loaned at low rates to farmers, gardeners and countrymen. The government will give to workers, employees and officials belonging to sedentary occupations and transferred to them on the payment of small sums of money. Save it again. Only have patience a little while. Help the wounded fatherland to get on its feet. Save it again by many discipline."

Copenhagen. — The German crown prince's last proclamation, announcing that his resignation from his command necessitated by the emperor's resignation and thanking the troops for their heroism and self-sacrifice, is published. In it the crown prince is rebuked by the emperor's resignation and thanking the troops for their heroism and self-sacrifice, is published. In it the crown prince is rebuked by the emperor's resignation and thanking the troops for their heroism and self-sacrifice, is published.

"Deeply moved, I separate from you, beloved ones, but your mighty exploits—exploits which history will relate to the coming generations, will indelible characters. Remember your leaders as before. God be with you and our fatherland."

## Ukrainians Want Lemberg

Conditions in Galicia and Silesia are Becoming Worse

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Difficulties are also anticipated between the Poles and Czechs over the possession of Oderberg, a town of Austria-Silesia.

Conditions in Galicia and Silesia are said to be worse than they were during the war. The several new republics are also being recruited from soldiers returning from the various fronts and are paying them several dollars per day for fighting. The new republics are also being recruited from soldiers returning from the various fronts and are paying them several dollars per day for fighting.

## Turk Pay Leaders Arrested

New Ottoman Government to Punish All War-like Offenders

Geneva. — The new Turkish government is proceeding vigorously against the Young Turk party of Enver Pasha, according to information received here. The group of young leaders, has arrested Enver Pasha, Talat Pasha, Naib Bey and Chelid Pasha, prominent members of the former Turkish government who fled recently to Berlin.

In Constantinople the Ottoman government is proceeding vigorously against the Young Turk party of Enver Pasha, according to information received here.

The Turkish legation at Bern, at the request of the Turkish ministry of justice has begun a search for certain young Turk leaders said to be in Switzerland.

## ULTIMATUM FROM POLAND

Geneva. — The Polish government has sent an ultimatum to Germany asking for the immediate evacuation of the German troops from the Polish territory.

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## MANITOBA PHONE PROFIT

Winnipeg. — The Manitoba government is considering one of the greatest profits of the old empire. He is the compiler of the civil codes.





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### Grain Prices

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" " "	Flax	2.90
" " "	Oats	.69

See Brown's Christmas stock.

Get your Xmas Boxes—cigars and cigarettes at Dawdy's pool room.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Stoudt made a trip by auto to Medicine Hat, the first of the week.

Mr. C. Lunda, of Cavendish, was a visitor in town on Monday.

Christmas Cards by the thousand at Brown's.

Largest line of cigars and tobaccos in town at Dawdy's pool room.

A. C. Bond, of Medicine Hat, is visiting his daughter, Miss J. M. Bond, of Misses Peers & Bond.

Owing to the occurrence of a mild case of "flu" in town it was decided it would be unwise to re-open the public school at the present time.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Tyler, accompanied by their son, Frank, returned from Calgary, on Friday last. Frank has received his military discharge.

Mesdames Wm. Crosbie and J. Kennedy, made a trip to Calgary on Tuesday, last week.

Miss Florence Guntner left on Monday for Lancaster, Pennsylvania, after spending a month here, visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ellis.

E. J. Nielson was in town Tuesday. Neither himself or his wife have had the "flu" as reported. "Dad" says he will sure be there with "bells on" at the big Masquerade Dance.

Miss Florence Trumpflower left on Tuesday for Jackson County, Michigan, where she expects to dispose of her property. Miss Trumpflower will return in March.

The pool hall, confectionery store and the drug store sure did a mail order business, after the election results were announced on Monday. The newly elected Council "stood the treats." Frank Sparrow would have turned a quick doctor green with envy the way he dispensed the cigars and drinks.

See Brown's line of Christmas pipes.

Special prices on Xmas Boxes—cigars—until Xmas at Dawdy's pool room.

There are no "flu" cases in town at the present time, we are pleased to report.

Wm. Stubbington left on Monday last for Glaslyn, Sask, where he will join his brother, who is a farmer in that district.

Tom Davidson of Masonville, Sask, left on Tuesday morning for Vancouver, where he expects to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Clark Herr and Miss Mary Jane Herr, formerly of the Empress district, are spending the winter with relatives in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. Mr. Herr has sold his farm at Morden, Manitoba, but expects to return and purchase land in western Canada, in the spring.

### Give Empress a Slogan—Earn \$10

This is the offer of the Empress Board of Trade, which is planning a continent-wide advertising campaign to bring big business to Empress, now the war is over. "See America First" and "There's A Reason" are examples which are familiar to every man, woman and child in the country.

The Empress slogan must advertise the town, must be suitable for continent-wide use, must be in English, not less than three and not more than six words long, and must be received at the office of the Secretary of the Board of Trade, M. A. Bledsoe, before 5 p.m. Thursday, January 9th, 1919.

In submitting slogans the name of the contestant must be written on the back of the same sheet, giving the full address of the contestant.

Judges of the slogan are to be selected at the next regular meeting of the Board of Trade.

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